

Department of Environmental Quality

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Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2006 Total App	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Approp	FY 2008 Request	FY 2008 Gov Rec
BY PROGRAM					
Administration and Support	6,536,600	6,520,900	6,685,000	7,440,500	7,353,100
Air Quality	5,748,000	5,553,400	5,879,900	6,094,100	6,030,500
Water Quality	20,020,100	16,418,900	19,798,000	19,166,300	18,779,600
CDA Basin Commission	2,230,200	1,702,400	2,332,100	2,088,300	2,089,200
Waste Mgmt and Remediation	16,933,400	20,463,000	16,955,400	24,651,000	23,976,800
INL Oversight	2,220,000	2,124,700	2,166,400	2,256,000	2,215,600
Total:	53,688,300	52,783,300	53,816,800	61,696,200	60,444,800
BY FUND CATEGORY					
General	15,904,900	15,894,900	16,247,000	17,948,400	17,199,100
Dedicated	7,312,600	6,077,300	7,590,900	7,306,100	7,217,100
Federal	30,470,800	30,811,100	29,978,900	36,441,700	36,028,600
Total:	53,688,300	52,783,300	53,816,800	61,696,200	60,444,800
Percent Change:		(1.7%)	2.0%	14.6%	12.3%
BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE					
Personnel Costs	26,079,600	24,091,100	25,798,300	27,109,900	26,717,200
Operating Expenditures	21,378,600	23,426,600	21,644,800	28,258,000	27,499,400
Capital Outlay	163,500	437,300	440,000	394,500	394,500
Trustee/Benefit	6,066,600	4,828,300	5,833,700	5,933,800	5,833,700
Lump Sum	0	0	100,000	0	0
Total:	53,688,300	52,783,300	53,816,800	61,696,200	60,444,800
Full-Time Positions (FTP)	374.55	374.55	378.55	382.55	378.55

Department Description

The Idaho legislature created the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in the public's interest "to protect human health and the environment as its sole mission" (§39-102A). The Department is organized into six budgetary programs.

Administration and Support Services develops policies, legislation, and rules for permitting and regulatory programs; promotes public understanding of environmental issues and solicits public input; assesses program effectiveness in improving water and air quality; and services DEQ internal support needs.

The Air Quality program assures compliance with federal and state health-based air quality standards by monitoring air quality and collecting data; developing and issuing permits; and coordinating air quality improvement efforts made by communities, citizen groups, businesses, industries, and governmental agencies.

The Water Quality program develops strategies to prevent, protect, and remediate areas so as to maintain or improve water quality. The program protects human health and biological integrity through watershed, drinking water, ground water, waste water, and grant and loan activities.

The Coeur d'Alene Basin Project Commission, §39-8104, coordinates natural resource restoration to address heavy metal contamination caused from upstream mining operations.

Waste Management and Remediation is responsible for ensuring that solid wastes are managed and disposed of in a manner protective of human health and the environment. The program responds to existing releases of hazardous substances and works with active mines to ensure best management practices are followed.

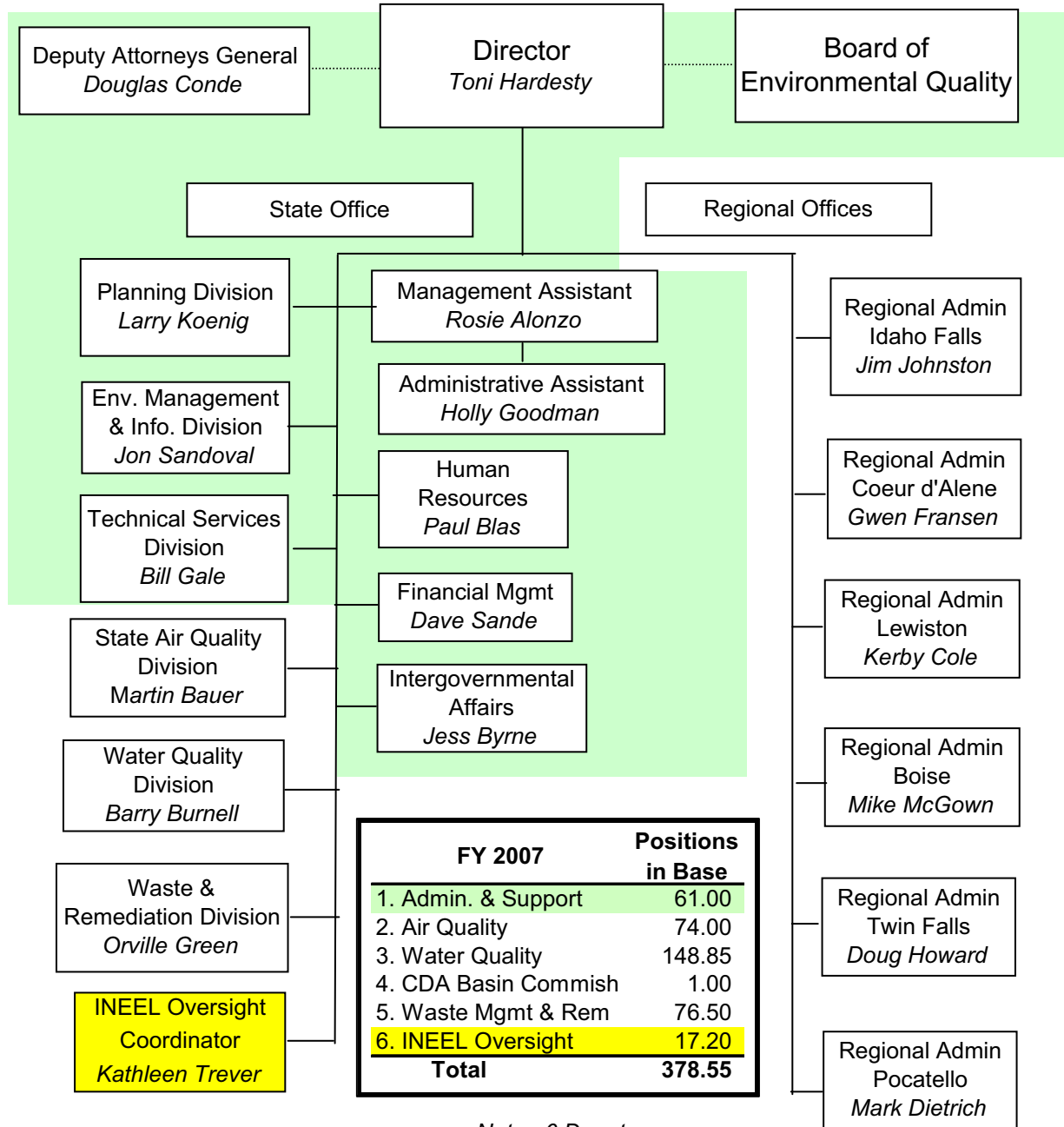
The primary responsibility of the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Oversight Program is to independently monitor INL operations and document transportation of radiological materials along transportation corridors. The objective is to assure the protection of Idaho's land, air, water, wildlife and public health from nuclear releases.

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Organizational Chart



Note: 6 Deputy Attorneys General and 3 support are paid through o.e. and are not in the FTP count.

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Sources of Funds

	FY 2006 Expenditures	Percent of Total	FY 2007 Appropriation	FY 2008 Request
1. General Fund (0225-03)	\$ 15,894,900	30.1%	\$ 16,247,000	\$ 17,948,400
The General Fund sources are the individual income tax, corporate income tax, sales tax, cigarette tax, beer tax, wine tax, liquor profits, kilowatt hour tax, mine license tax, treasurer's interest on investments of certain idle funds, court fees and fines, insurance premium tax, estate and transfer tax and other miscellaneous sources from agency receipts.				
2. Economic Recovery Reserve Fund (0150-01)	347,300	0.7%	381,200	0
Revenues from a 29 cent increase to the 28 cent per pack cigarette tax was placed into a special fund for FY 2005 and FY 2006. The increase was earmarked for capitol restoration and Bond Levy Equalization beginning in FY 2007 and any amount not needed will resume to the Reserve Fund upon completion of the capitol restoration.				
3. Air Quality Permitting Fund (0186-00)	1,818,400	3.4%	1,871,300	1,881,400
Moneys received from fees collected from permitting fees assessed to pollution sources under Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendment of 1990 and all earned interest.				
4. Public Water System Supervision Fund (0191-00)	1,570,000	3.0%	1,727,900	1,804,500
Fees assessed on regulated public drinking water systems, donations, and interest.				
5. Water Pollution Control Fund (0200)	100,000	0.2%	395,400	413,300
Monthly transfers amounting to \$4.8 million per year from the General Fund and retained interest.				
6. Environmental Remediation Bunker Hill Box Fund (0201-01)	98,500	0.2%	127,200	131,000
Transfers from the Water Pollution Control Fund, sales of property, legal settlements, and interest.				
7. Environmental Remediation Basin (0201-02)	450,500	0.9%	1,019,000	1,042,300
Transfers from the Water Pollution Control Fund, sales of property, legal settlements, and interest.				
8. DEQ Receipts Fund (0225-05)	1,532,500	2.9%	1,668,900	1,733,600
Fees from services, cost recoveries from mine reclamation and leaking underground storage tanks, stationary source permitting fees, and other miscellaneous receipts. The fund is also used to expend moneys from the Environmental Protection Trust which contains moneys donated or conditionally granted to the department and all retained interest. Moneys are used to carry out the conditions of the grant.				
9. Treasure Valley Air Quality Trust (0225-20)	0	0.0%	100,000	0
The FY 2007 appropriation provided up to \$50,000 from the Economic Recovery Reserve Fund to match up to \$50,000 in corporate contributions for a public awareness campaign to develop an Air Quality Management Plan for Ada and Canyon Counties.				
10. Bunker Hill Trust Fund (0511-00)	160,100	0.3%	300,000	300,000
Receipts that are the result of consent decree declarations between the state and settling defendants involved in the Bunker Hill Mine cleanup. Moneys are held as a trust fund and used for blood lead screenings and activities to benefit human health and the environment within the Bunker Hill Superfund Site in Shoshone County.				
11. DEQ Federal Funds (0225-02)	30,811,100	58.4%	29,978,900	36,441,700
Federal grants and reimbursements from federal fund sources.				
Total	\$ 52,783,300	100.0%	\$ 53,816,800	\$ 61,696,200

The department also has three continuously appropriated funds. 1) The Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund is used for loans to assist public water systems to finance infrastructure costs. The Water Pollution Control Fund is used as the State's 20% contribution. 2) The Clean Water State Revolving Fund is used to finance public owned wastewater treatment facilities and pollution control projects. The Water Pollution Control Fund is used as the State's 20% contribution. 3) The Hazardous Waste Emergency Fund consists of moneys from compliance proceedings, court ordered judgments or settlements, and earned interest. Moneys are used to pay necessary costs of mitigating threats to public health or safety caused by the emergency.

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Selected Fund Analysis

Description	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Estimate	FY 2008 Request
Water Pollution Control Fund 0200 and 0225-07					
Combined Beginning Balance	1,840,500	450,200	812,100	996,100	740,700
Encumbrances as of July 1	0	190,500	0	0	0
From Sales and Use Tax	4,800,000	4,800,000	4,800,000	4,800,000	4,800,000
Interest & Intrafund Transfers	212,900	29,100	40,400	40,000	40,000
Total Balances Available	6,853,400	5,469,800	5,652,500	5,836,100	5,580,700
Prior Year Encumbrances	0	190,500	0	0	0
DEQ Program Costs - Monitoring	1,096,000	1,100,000	100,000	395,400	411,500
Rathdrum Aquifer (Health District 1)	90,800	90,800	0	0	0
To Dept. of Water Resources	1,405,900	456,400	456,400	0	0
To Drinking Water Loan Fund	1,600,000	1,000,000	1,600,000	2,200,000	1,600,000
To Wastewater Facility Loans	1,300,000	1,300,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
To Environmental Remediation	520,000	520,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
To Hazardous Waste Incidents	200,000	0	0	0	0
Encumbrances as of June 30	190,500	0	0	0	0
Combined Ending Balance	450,200	812,100	996,100	740,700	1,069,200

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) or Drinking Water Loan Fund 0532

The Idaho Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) was established pursuant to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act as amended in 1996 to assist public water systems to finance infrastructure costs. The fund is being capitalized (since 1997) by the EPA through a series of grants that require states to provide an additional 20% match. Although some loans are zero interest, the effective interest rate of most loans is 2% to 4%. Loans are generally repaid over 20 years starting within one year after the project is completed. The fund does not have any full-time employees. Instead, DEQ charges the fund for time spent on DWSRF activities. As of June 30, 2006, the fund had a cash balance of \$14.9 million (including \$4.1 million invested in diversified bonds) and outstanding loans of \$34.5 million for a total of \$49.4 million. It is continuously appropriated.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) or Wastewater Facility Loan Fund 0529

The Idaho Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) was established pursuant to Title VI of the Federal Water Quality Act of 1987 to finance publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities and pollution control projects. The fund is being capitalized (since 1989) by the EPA through a series of grants that require States to provide an additional 20% match. Effective interest rates vary between 3.25% and 4.5% and are generally repaid over 20 years starting within one year after the project is completed. The fund does not have any full-time employees. Instead, DEQ charges the fund for time spent on CWSRF activities. As of June 30, 2006, the fund had a cash balance of \$69.8 million (including \$41.9 million invested in diversified bonds) and outstanding loans of \$104.2 million for a total of \$174.0 million. It is continuously appropriated.

Environmental Remediation Fund (Box 0201-01 and Basin 0201-02)

Moneys in the Environmental Remediation Fund are used for the state's matching share of superfund grants for environmental cleanup, remediation, and restoration; and to provide for the operations and maintenance of remediation projects. Beginning in FY 2006, the fund was broken into two fund-details to separately account for activities and balances inside the Bunker Hill Superfund Box and in the remaining Coeur d'Alene Basin. FY 2005 marked the last transfer from the WPCF to the Box and FY 2006 began the first annual transfer of \$1.5 million for the Basin cleanup. At the end of FY 2006, the Box portion had a fund balance of \$7.8 million and the Basin had a fund balance of \$1.1 million. It is appropriated annually.

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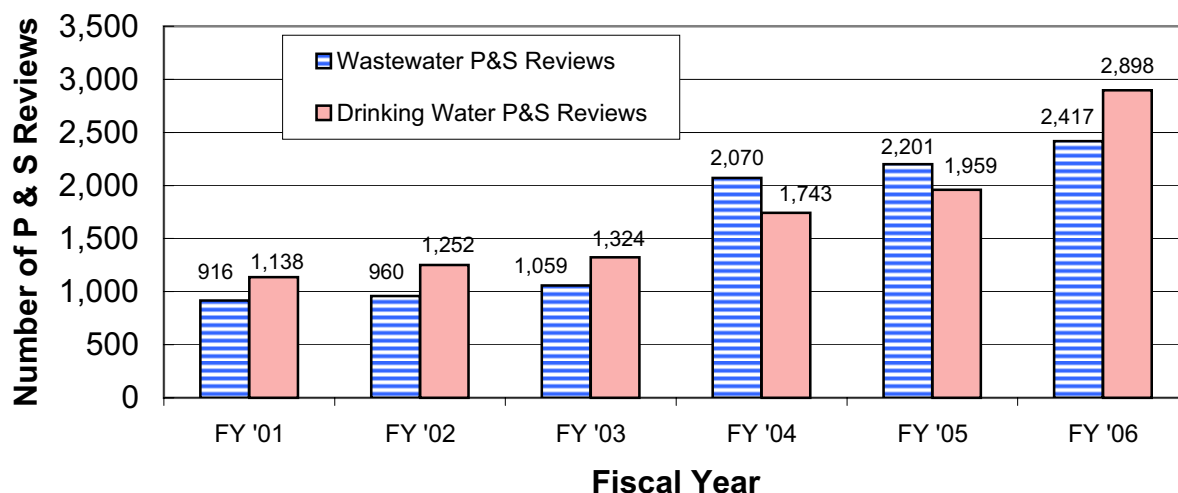
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Key Services Provided

	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Air Quality				
1. Air Quality Permits to Construct Issued	49	52	61	67
2. Air Quality Tier 1 (Title V) Permits Issued	48	12	10	17
3. Air Quality Tier 2 Permits Issued	38	23	14	11
4. Air Inspections and Evaluations Conducted	141	180	121	150
Water Quality				
1. Wastewater Grants Awarded	\$215,405	\$163,610	\$117,000	\$192,282
2. Drinking Water Grants Awarded	\$70,025	\$178,981	\$206,000	\$197,362
3. Completed TMDLs Approved by EPA	9	14	7	10
4. 401/404 Water Quality Certifications Issued	881	885	695	765
5. Wastewater Land Application Permits Issued	34	28	22	14
6. Wastewater Plan and Specification Reviews	1,059	2,070	2,201	2,417
7. Drinking Water Plan and Specification Reviews	1,324	1,743	1,959	2,898
8. Drinking Water Sanitary Surveys	432	459	454	366
Waste Management & Remediation				
1. Remediation Projects Closed	140	134	137	155
2. Underground Storage Tank Compliance Visits	273	282	269	187
3. Hazardous Waste Inspections	239	229	245	291
4. Phosphate Mine Sites Undergoing Cleanup	8	10	10	8
INL Monitoring				
1. DOE/INL Operations Monitored	39	36	43	95
2. Water, Air, Milk Samples Analyzed	3,073	2,731	2,609	2,406
3. Counties Trained for Emergency Preparedness	15	15	15	15
4. Public Reports, Newsletters, Presentations	41	45	37	38

6-Year Drinking Water and Wastewater Plan & Specification Review History - Statewide



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Comparative Summary

Decision Unit	Agency Request			Governor's Rec		
	FTP	General	Total	FTP	General	Total
FY 2007 Original Appropriation	378.55	16,247,000	53,816,800	378.55	16,247,000	53,816,800
1. CDA Basin Yard Remediation	0.00	0	5,544,100	0.00	0	5,544,100
FY 2007 Total Appropriation	378.55	16,247,000	59,360,900	378.55	16,247,000	59,360,900
Non-Cognizable Funds and Transfers	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0
FY 2007 Estimated Expenditures	378.55	16,247,000	59,360,900	378.55	16,247,000	59,360,900
Removal of One-Time Expenditures	0.00	(60,000)	(654,200)	0.00	(60,000)	(654,200)
Base Adjustments	0.00	0	(400,000)	0.00	0	(400,000)
FY 2008 Base	378.55	16,187,000	58,306,700	378.55	16,187,000	58,306,700
Benefit Costs	0.00	265,900	609,200	0.00	0	0
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	101,900	490,400	0.00	21,800	66,100
Replacement Items	0.00	285,600	394,500	0.00	285,600	394,500
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	117,000	272,000	0.00	117,000	272,000
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	341,400	773,800	0.00	487,700	1,105,500
FY 2008 Program Maintenance	378.55	17,298,800	60,846,600	378.55	17,099,100	60,144,800
1. Underground Storage Tank Program	2.00	0	200,000	0.00	0	200,000
2. Brownfield Redevelopment	1.00	0	100,000	0.00	0	100,000
3. Air Information Management System	0.00	100,000	0	0.00	100,000	0
4. TMDL Five-Year Review	1.00	89,600	89,600	0.00	0	0
5. Mercury Monitoring	0.00	60,000	60,000	0.00	0	0
6. Chemical Management in Schools	0.00	400,000	400,000	0.00	0	0
7. Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative	0.00	1,500,000	1,500,000	0.00	1,500,000	1,500,000
Transfer to Continuously Approp. Fund	0.00	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	0.00	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
FY 2008 Total	382.55	17,948,400	61,696,200	378.55	17,199,100	60,444,800
Change from Original Appropriation	4.00	1,701,400	7,879,400	0.00	952,100	6,628,000
% Change from Original Appropriation		10.5%	14.6%		5.9%	12.3%

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
FY 2007 Original Appropriation	378.55	16,247,000	7,590,900	29,978,900	53,816,800

1. CDA Basin Yard Remediation

Waste Management and Remediation

The Environmental Protection Agency has awarded DEQ a grant for FY 2007 in the amount of \$15,544,083 to expand the yard remediation program in the Coeur d'Alene Basin. This grant is in addition to three previous awards totaling \$25 million of which about \$9 million in spending authority remains in the base. Along with \$1 million in federal spending authority moved in from other budgets, the department asks that this \$5.5 million request be made an ongoing part of the base for the foreseeable future. [Ongoing]

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	5,544,100	5,544,100
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	5,544,100	5,544,100

FY 2007 Total Appropriation					
Agency Request	378.55	16,247,000	7,590,900	35,523,000	59,360,900
Governor's Recommendation	378.55	16,247,000	7,590,900	35,523,000	59,360,900

Non-Cognizable Funds and Transfers

Transfer \$100,000 in General Funds from Water Quality program to the Administration and Support program. Transfer \$10,000 in General Funds from Water Quality to the Coeur d'Alene Basin Commission program. Transfer \$100,000 in dedicated receipts spending authority from the Water Quality program to the Administration and Support Services program. Transfer \$100,000 in federal spending authority from the Water Quality program to the Administration and Support Services Program. Transfer \$800,000 in federal spending authority from the Water Quality Program to the Waste Management and Remediation Program. Transfer \$200,000 in federal spending authority from the Coeur d'Alene Basin Commission to Waste Management and Remediation program.

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	0	0
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0

FY 2007 Estimated Expenditures					
Agency Request	378.55	16,247,000	7,590,900	35,523,000	59,360,900
Governor's Recommendation	378.55	16,247,000	7,590,900	35,523,000	59,360,900

Removal of One-Time Expenditures

Remove one-time funding provided for the FY 2007 budget including \$60,000 from the General Fund provided for the Basin Technical Leadership Group, \$381,200 from the Economic Recovery Reserve fund for replacement vehicles and replacement computer equipment, \$100,000 in spending authority for the Treasure Valley Air Quality Trust, \$19,500 spending authority provided for replacement items from various dedicated funds, and \$93,500 in federal funds provided for one-time purposes.

Agency Request	0.00	(60,000)	(500,700)	(93,500)	(654,200)
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(60,000)	(500,700)	(93,500)	(654,200)

Base Adjustments

Administration and Support Services, Water Quality

Removes federal funding from the base in the amount of \$100,000 in the Administration and Support Services program and \$300,000 from the Water Quality Program to reflect reductions in TMDL and surface water grants.

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	(400,000)	(400,000)
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	(400,000)	(400,000)

FY 2008 Base					
Agency Request	378.55	16,187,000	7,090,200	35,029,500	58,306,700
Governor's Recommendation	378.55	16,187,000	7,090,200	35,029,500	58,306,700

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
Benefit Costs					
Restores funding for one health insurance holiday taken in FY 2007. Includes the employer-paid portion of estimated changes in employee benefit costs. The two biggest factors are health insurance rates and retirement rates. Health insurance is projected to increase by 4.9% or \$350 per position. Retirement rates are scheduled to increase by 5.9% from 10.39% to 11% of salary for regular employees. Other benefit changes include minor adjustments in unemployment insurance rates and workers compensation rates.					
Agency Request	0.00	265,900	89,500	253,800	609,200
<i>The Governor recommends that all health insurance related adjustments be funded by program changes or by utilizing reserves available in the group insurance contract. As the PERSI Board voted to maintain the current contribution rate for the upcoming fiscal year, no adjustment to retirement rates is necessary.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
Inflationary Adjustments					
This inflationary adjustment is a 1.8% increase over the base. It is calculated by subtracting statewide allocation plan costs and applying a 1.81% increase for all remaining operating costs except rentals and operating leases which are inflated by 3% and fuel and lubricant costs which are inflated by 20%.					
Agency Request	0.00	101,900	58,800	329,700	490,400
<i>Inflationary increases are provided only for contractual obligations such as leased space costs. Other inflationary requests are not recommended.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	21,800	9,700	34,600	66,100
Replacement Items					
Replacement items include \$175,000 for 10 vehicles, \$144,000 for 90 computers, \$15,000 for 3 printers and \$60,500 for field equipment. The field equipment includes \$30,000 for equipment and setup costs to do background monitoring of mercury deposition. The equipment is to be located at Craters of the Moon National Monument.					
Agency Request	0.00	285,600	19,200	89,700	394,500
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	285,600	19,200	89,700	394,500
Statewide Cost Allocation					
This decision unit includes adjustments for services provided by state agencies as follow: \$259,800 for Attorney General fees, \$13,400 for State Controller fees, a reduction of \$1,900 for State Treasurer fees, and an increase of \$700 for property and casualty insurance premiums.					
Agency Request	0.00	117,000	32,700	122,300	272,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	117,000	32,700	122,300	272,000
Change in Employee Compensation					
Reflects the calculated cost of a 3.5% salary increase for permanent and temporary positions.					
Agency Request	0.00	341,400	115,700	316,700	773,800
<i>The Governor recommends a compensation increase of 5% to be distributed based on merit.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	487,700	165,300	452,500	1,105,500
FY 2008 Program Maintenance					
Agency Request	378.55	17,298,800	7,406,100	36,141,700	60,846,600
Governor's Recommendation	378.55	17,099,100	7,317,100	35,728,600	60,144,800

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
1. Underground Storage Tank Program	Admin. and Support, Waste Management and Remediation				
DEQ is requesting authorization through companion legislation to administer the federal underground storage tank program (UST) in lieu of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). A federal grant in the amount of \$200,000 is available to develop and implement a state training, inspection, and enforcement program. This would fund two full-time positions. In order to attract better candidates, the position cost is calculated using pay grade 41 at the midpoint or \$25.14 per hour rather than minimum plus 5% or \$19.80 per hour. The federal grant requires a 25% state match that will be met by redirecting 1/2 FTP of General funded remediation work to the training and inspection program. Currently, DEQ receives funding of about \$930,000 in federal funds for 9 FTP to administer the Leaking Petroleum Storage Tank (LUST) cleanup program. DEQ also receives about \$167,500 to support 2.5 FTP for technical assistance to tank owners. The federal Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2005 requires that states have a comprehensive UST program to continue to receive federal funds for cleanup. Of the total, \$45,300 or 23% would be used in the Administration and Support Program. [Ongoing, requires Legislation]					
Agency Request	2.00	0	0	200,000	200,000
<i>The Governor provides funding as requested but no additional positions.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	200,000	200,000
2. Brownfield Redevelopment	Admin. and Support, Waste Management and Remediation				
Following the passage of the federal Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, DEQ established a Brownfields revitalization program in Idaho. Using about \$800,000 in federal funding, the department provides environmental assessments and offers liability protections and financial incentives to local governments and landowners interested in developing Brownfield sites. Currently, the one Brownfield staff person located in Boise cannot keep up with statewide requests due to growth and redevelopment in the Treasure Valley. The department requests a second Brownfields specialist (\$71,100 including benefits plus \$28,900 in operating expenditures) funded from the federal grant. In order to attract better candidates, the position cost is calculated using pay grade 41 at the midpoint or \$25.14 per hour rather than minimum plus 5% or \$19.80 per hour. The specialist will assist cities, counties, and other interested parties to identify properties and cleanup and redevelop those properties. DEQ will locate the position in northern Idaho, which is also experiencing growth, to help those communities secure additional federal funds for revitalization. Of the total, \$22,600 or 23% will be used in the Administration and Support program. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	1.00	0	0	100,000	100,000
<i>The Governor provides funding as requested but no additional positions.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	100,000	100,000
3. Air Information Management System	Administration and Support Services, Air Quality				
The department is developing a new management information system to track all of the air quality data that is needed for inventory, permitting, monitoring, emission, inspections, and compliance activities. The new databases will provide a more efficient and consistent means of tracking data and issuing permits. By the end of the current fiscal year, most of the new system costs associated with the Title V facilities will be completed. The department does not have enough funding in other areas of the air program to complete the work and maintain the system. This request shifts .5 FTP and \$33,900 in personnel costs and \$66,100 in operating expenditures from the Air Quality Permitting Fund to the General Fund in order to complete the development and to implement the ongoing maintenance of the Air Information Management System. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	100,000	(100,000)	0	0
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	100,000	(100,000)	0	0

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4. TMDL Five-Year Review					Water Quality
<p>Amendments to the Clean Water Act of 1972 require states to prepare a list of waters not meeting state water quality standards. The prescribed remedy is for the states to determine the total maximum daily load (TMDL) for pollutants. A TMDL is a pollutant budget intended to maintain and protect the water quality for the state's designated beneficial uses. States are required to submit a list to EPA, every two years, of waters that are not meeting state water quality standards. Idaho submitted its first 303(d) list in 1989 but EPA took no action. In 1993, EPA approved a modified list of 31 waters but two conservation groups sued. In 1994 the court approved a list of 962 303(d) listed waters needing TMDLs. The court approved a seven-year schedule but IDEQ has not kept on pace to complete this schedule. Furthermore, in 2005, the legislature passed HB 145, without providing additional funding, mandating a 5-year review for all TMDLs. This request would add one Analyst 4 TMDL/Watershed Specialist (\$79,600 including benefits plus \$10,000 for operating expenditures) to the Idaho Falls Office. In order to attract better candidates, the position is calculated using pay grade 43 at the minimum plus 30% or \$28.12 per hour rather than minimum plus 5% or \$21.58 per hour. Currently the Idaho Falls Office has only one staff person to carry out this work. Only 10 of 18 Hydrologic Unit Codes (HUCs) in the region have completed implementation plans. Four HUCs are due for review in 2008 under the 5-year review schedule. This position will help DEQ meet its court ordered obligations and address the requirements of HB 145 of 2005. [Ongoing]</p>					
Agency Request	1.00	89,600	0	0	89,600
<i>Not recommended by the Governor.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
5. Mercury Monitoring					Water Quality
<p>The department has been doing mercury assessment projects in response to legislative concerns arising from emission estimates from out-of-state sources. These assessments are being done on fish tissue, water bodies, and air emissions. High levels of mercury have been measured in Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir. Fish tissue analysis confirmed potentially dangerous levels for humans and other species and air monitoring equipment has detected elevated concentrations of airborne mercury originating from the Elko, Nevada area. IDEQ and INL scientists hypothesize that the elevated concentrations may originate from four major gold mining operations in that area. Funding is requested for lab analysis and monitoring costs to continue this expensive mercury monitoring activity. [Ongoing]</p>					
Agency Request	0.00	60,000	0	0	60,000
<i>Not recommended by the Governor.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
6. Chemical Management in Schools					Waste Management and Remediation
<p>In 2005, with a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, DEQ initiated the Idaho Chemical Roundup project. The project was based on a 2004 project conducted by the University of Idaho. Together, these initiatives resulted in 2,192 pounds of chemicals being removed from 31 schools or an average of over 70 pounds per school. Over 500 different chemicals were identified, including known carcinogens, toxics, poisons, potential explosives, flammables, oxidizers, and reactive materials. Several chemicals found are used in the manufacture of illegal drugs. Cleanup costs at these schools ranged from \$900 to \$16,000 with an average of about \$3,577 per school. Despite efforts to address chemical management in schools through studies, guidelines, rules, teacher training, and safety inspections, the continued presence of chemical stockpiles remain and continue to pose a risk to human health and the environment. This project would fund chemical removal, identify third-party inventory assistance and chemical disposal services, and provide training and education. Needed funding is calculated by assuming waste disposal for 1/3 of Idaho's 300 secondary schools at \$3,577 per school or \$357,700 plus \$42,300 for salary and operating costs of a part-time, temporary position to coordinate the project, develop and manage the state contracts for waste disposal, and provide outreach to schools statewide. [One-time]</p>					
Agency Request	0.00	400,000	0	0	400,000
<i>Not recommended by the Governor.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
7. Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative			Waste Management and Remediation		
The 2006 legislature approved H728 that created a 10-site Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative as an extension of the Voluntary Cleanup Program started in 1996. DEQ is requesting the transfer of \$1.5 million from the General Fund to the continuously appropriated Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative Fund established in the legislation. This money will be used to reimburse up to 70% of the expenses that private parties incur to conduct cleanups. DEQ will identify the 10 statewide highest priority projects and begin working each of those projects into a Voluntary Cleanup Plan. Staff support will be provided by the Brownfields program and the Remediation program. [One-time]					
Agency Request	0.00	1,500,000	0	0	1,500,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	1,500,000	0	0	1,500,000
Transfer to Continuously Approp. Fund			Waste Management and Remediation		
This decision unit acts as a placeholder and will be used to reflect the transfer of moneys to the dedicated Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative Fund should the legislature approve any portion of line-item #7.					
Agency Request	0.00	(1,500,000)	0	0	(1,500,000)
The Governor recommends transferring \$1.5 million from the General Fund to the Community Reinvestment Pilot Initiative Fund.					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(1,500,000)	0	0	(1,500,000)
FY 2008 Total					
Agency Request	382.55	17,948,400	7,306,100	36,441,700	61,696,200
Governor's Recommendation	378.55	17,199,100	7,217,100	36,028,600	60,444,800
Agency Request					
Change from Original App	4.00	1,701,400	(284,800)	6,462,800	7,879,400
% Change from Original App	1.1%	10.5%	(3.8%)	21.6%	14.6%
Governor's Recommendation					
Change from Original App	0.00	952,100	(373,800)	6,049,700	6,628,000
% Change from Original App	0.0%	5.9%	(4.9%)	20.2%	12.3%